

There are four genders of nouns.

1. Masculine gender
2. feminine gender
3. Common gender
4. Neuter gender

1. MASCULINE GENDER :

The names of all male person or animals are said to be of the masculine gender as:

man, boy, brother, father, uncle, king, lion, dog etc.

2. FEMININE GENDER:

The names of all female person or animals are said to be of the feminine gender as:  
girl, woman, aunt, daughter, sister, queen, niece, bitch, lioness, tigress etc.

3. COMMON GENDER:

The nouns that denote both males and females are said to be of the common gender as:

The word student could be a male or a female .

4. NEUTER GENDER:

A non-living thing cannot be either male or female: hence, the names of such things are said to be of the neuter gender as:

house, knife, pen, chair, wood, gold, etc.

**NOTE:** Collective Nouns like crowd, class, army denote living beings, but these nouns are of the neuter gender.

**EXAMPLE:**

MASCULINE	FEMININE
1. bull	cow
2. husband	wife
3. colt	filly
4. king	queen
5. brother	sister
6. sir	madam
7. lord	lady
8. stag	hind
9. uncle	aunty

10. drake

duck

WRITE MASCULINE, FEMININE, COMMON, NEUTER FOR THE FOLLOWING NOUNS.

1. father: \_\_\_\_\_

7. teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

2. baby: \_\_\_\_\_

8. king : \_\_\_\_\_

3. lamp: \_\_\_\_\_

9. nephew: \_\_\_\_\_

4. house: \_\_\_\_\_

10. peahen : \_\_\_\_\_

5. mother: \_\_\_\_\_

11. doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

6. uncle: \_\_\_\_\_

12. pot: \_\_\_\_\_

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CHANGE THE UNDERLINED NOUNS INTO THEIR OPPOSITES GENDERS AND REWRITE THE SENTENCES. YOU MIGHT HAVE TO CHANGE SOME OTHER WORDS.

1. The old woman advised the queen.

Ans: The old man advised the king.

2. My father and his brother are twins.

Ans:

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. My mother's grandfather was a famous poet.

Ans:

\_\_\_\_\_.

4. My uncle has two cows and six ducks on his farm.

Ans:

\_\_\_\_\_.

5. The policeman helped the old lady cross the road.

Ans:

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